



# Quiz about minority languages

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# What do you think? :

1. Which country is Galicia part of?

France / Spain / Italy

2. How many people in the world speak Galician?

2.5 million / 2,500 / 250

3. How many years have Aborigines lived in Australia?      500,000 / 50,000 / 5,000

4. What % of US drugs come from native remedies?    80% / 50% / 25%

5. How many years ago did humans first start using language?   1,500,000 / 150,000 / 15,000

6. About how many languages are there now in the world? 7000 / 700 / 70

7. How many languages do linguists think we could have in 100 years? 600 / 60 / 6

8. When did French become the standard language of France? 14<sup>th</sup> / 16<sup>th</sup> / 18<sup>th</sup> century

9. How many people speak Sami (from Scandinavia / Russia)? 200,000 / 20,000 / 2,000

10. How many official local languages are there in Zambia? 700 / 70 / 7

# Now read this to find the answers:

[http://eewiki.newint.org/index.php/Languages - a revolution](http://eewiki.newint.org/index.php/Languages_-_a_revolution)



# Key:

1. Spain

2. 2.5 million

3. 50,000

4. 25%

5. 150,000

6. 7,000

7. 6

8. 18<sup>th</sup> century

9. 20,000

10. 70



Now read the original:

<http://newint.org/features/2014/06/01/keynote-minority-languages>